

**A RESOLUTION BY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY,
TO ACCEPT THE 2008 OAKLAND CEMETERY MASTER PLAN; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, Oakland Cemetery is a City-owned park comprised of approximately forty-eight acres, located in East Atlanta, less than two miles from the State Capitol and close to the city's financial, entertainment, and academic districts, at 248 Oakland Ave SE, in Atlanta, Georgia (the "Cemetery"); and

WHEREAS, the Cemetery is one of Atlanta's premier historic sites and landscapes that serves as a public park, a heritage tourist attraction, and an active municipal cemetery with important cultural resource and an island of tranquility in the heart of the city; and

WHEREAS, The Historic Oakland Foundation ("HOF") was founded in 1976 to partner with the City of Atlanta in preserving, restoring, and enhancing the cemetery with the city; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this partnership HOF has prepared a master plan (attached hereto as Exhibit "A") for the Cemetery that includes a blueprint for Cemetery capital improvements, landscape details, objectives for programming activities within the Cemetery, and a blueprint for Cemetery management decisions. The approved master plan would serve as a guide for the work to be performed at the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Cemetery Master Plan has been recognized as the 2008 winner of the Award of Merit from the Georgia Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs requires that the Master Plan not be deemed final or implemented until after the plan undergoes the City's review and approval process, and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Cemetery Master Plan has been approved by the Oakland Cemetery Master Planning Committee, the Historic Oakland Foundation Board of Trustees, the Atlanta Urban Design Commission, NPU W, and the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES, that the Mayor is authorized to accept, on behalf of the City, the Historic Oakland Foundation Master Plan created by Robert and Company, where such Master Plan is set forth as Exhibit A hereto.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Master Plan will enhance upon the Park's strengths, and has plans for remedying Park deficiencies, including continuation of the preservation, restoration, enhancement, and promotion and sharing with the public the Cemetery as a cultural resource.

Part II: Legislative White Paper: (This portion of the Legislative Request Form will be shared with City Council members and staff)

A. To be completed by Legislative Counsel:

Committee of Purview: Community Development/ Human Resources Committee

Caption: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2008 OAKLAND CEMETERY MASTER PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Council Meeting Date: January 5, 2009

Requesting Dept.: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs

B. To be completed by the department:

1. Please provide a summary of the purpose of this legislation (Justification Statement).

The purpose of this legislation is to approve the 2008 Oakland Cemetery Master Plan.

2. Please provide background information regarding this legislation.

The Historic Oakland Foundation, founded in 1976, was created to partner with the City of Atlanta in preserving, restoring, and enhancing the Cemetery. HOF contracted with a team of trained landscape architects and landscape historians to prepare a master plan for the Cemetery.

3. If Applicable/Known:

(a) **Contract Type (e.g. Professional Services, Construction Agreement, etc):**

(b) **Source Selection:**

(c) **Bids/Proposals Due:**

(d) **Invitations Issued:**

(e) **Number of Bids:**

(f) **Proposals Received:**

(g) Bidders/Proponents:

(h) Term of Contract:

4. Fund Account Center:

5. Source of Funds:

6. Fiscal Impact:

7. Method of Cost Recovery:

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TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: GREG PRIDGEON

Dept.'s Legislative Liaison: Debra F. Harris

Contact Number: (404) 817-6795

Originating Department: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs

Committee(s) of Purview: Community Development/ Human Resources Committee

Chief of Staff Deadline: November 26, 2008

Anticipated Committee Meeting Date(s): December 9, 2008

Anticipated Full Council Date: January 5, 2009

Legislative Counsel's Signature: Robin Shahr

Commissioner Signature: Dr. Anne Hannell Cohen, LC

Chief Procurement Officer Signature: _____

CAPTION

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Mayor's Staff Only

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(date) (date)

Received by Mayor's Office: AMC 11/26/08 Reviewed by: [Signature]
(date) (date)

Submitted to Council: _____

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